Public Information Statement

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... New River Forecast Point for Dan River near Wentworth, NC...

Effective July 13, 2017, the National Weather Service ($\underline{\text{NWS}}$) will begin issuing daily river forecasts for the Dan River near Wentworth, $\underline{\text{NC}}$ (SHEF ID: WENN7). The river gage is located in Rockingham County, $\underline{\text{NC}}$ and is operated and maintained by the North Carolina office of the USGS South Atlantic Water Science Center. The gage is also supported by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Previously, this location was a data point with observations but no flood forecasts were available.

River forecast guidance for the Roanoke/Dan basin (which includes the Dan River) is provided by the NWS Southeast River Forecast Center (SERFC) in Peachtree City, GA. The WMO Header and AWIPS product ID for this guidance is FGUS52 KALRRVFRNK. River Flood Warnings (FLW) for the Dan River near Wentworth, NC will be issued by the National Weather Service in Blacksburg, VA (RNK) under the WMO Header and AWIPS ID of WGUS41 WBCFLWRNK. Follow-up Flood Statements for Flood Warnings (FLS) will be issued under WGUS81 WBCFLWRNK.

These forecasts will be considered valid for a reach of the Dan River in Rockingham County from the $\underline{\text{gage upstream}}$ to the $\underline{\text{confluence}}$ of the Mayo River and $\underline{\text{downstream}}$ to the $\underline{\text{confluence}}$ of the Smith River.

Forecast and <u>gage</u> information (such as <u>flood</u> stages and <u>crest</u> history) will continue to be available on the <u>NWS</u> Blacksburg Advanced Hydrologic Prediction (AHPS) page at: http://water.weather.gov/ahps2/hydrograph.php?wfo=rnk&gage=wenn7

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